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Field Crops

Cotton planting is ongoing and is 35 percent complete, behind last year at 36 percent but ahead of the 5-year average of 29 percent. Arizona's alfalfa conditions remained in excellent to fair condition, depending on location. Harvesting occurred on over three-quarters of the alfalfa acreage across the State. The State's durum wheat condition is fair to good and this year's barley is in fair to good condition.

Arizona Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops

Central Arizona growers shipped cabbage, cilantro, kale, and parsley last week.

Western Arizona growers shipped anise, broccoli, cauliflower, cilantro, endive, kale, parsley, spinach, Swiss chard and various lettuces including Boston, iceberg, red leaf, green leaf, and romaine.

Range and Pasture

Moisture is needed to sustain rangeland and pastures in the coming months throughout the State. Pasture areas are in good to poor condition, depending on location.

Crop Condition

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	- Percent -				
Alfalfa	0	2	23	50	25
Range and Pasture	3	25	38	30	4

Crop Progress

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 – Year Avg.
	- Percent -			
Cotton				
• Planted	35	30	36	29

Weather Summary

Temperatures were mostly above normal across the State for the week ending April 14, 2013, ranging from 4 degrees below normal at Coolidge to 6 degrees above normal at the Grand Canyon. The highest temperature of the week was 96 degrees recorded in Bullhead City.

The lowest reading was 19 degrees at the Grand Canyon. Sixteen out of the 22 weather stations recorded precipitation last week. Only four weather stations have received above normal precipitation to date.

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Temperature and Precipitation Data								
April 7, 2013 - April 14, 2013								
Station	Temperature				Precipitation			
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Departure From Normal	Percent of Normal
Aguila	63	2	86	41	0.01	1.74	-1.93	47
Buckeye	66	2	89	45	0.00	1.98	-0.43	82
Bullhead City	71	0	96	49	0.00	0.77	-2.27	25
Canyon De Chelly	49	-1	72	26	0.26	1.61	-0.72	69
Coolidge	62	-4	86	41	0.17	2.82	-0.06	98
Douglas	59	0	83	33	0.01	1.08	-0.68	61
Flagstaff	44	3	65	26	0.12	5.00	-2.49	67
Grand Canyon	43	6	68	19	0.08	0.68	-6.99	9
Kingman	60	5	82	37	0.05	1.18	-2.05	37
Maricopa	67	1	90	44	0.09	2.05	-0.51	80
Paloma	67	2	90	45	0.00	1.36	-1.18	54
Parker	68	-2	93	42	0.00	0.71	-1.32	35
Payson	50	-2	70	29	0.76	7.28	0.37	105
Phoenix	72	5	91	55	0.06	2.61	0.20	108
Prescott	52	5	73	30	0.08	2.47	-2.90	46
Roll	66	1	91	41	0.00	0.42	-0.50	46
Safford	60	0	86	35	0.04	0.58	-1.41	29
St. Johns	51	1	74	30	0.49	1.41	-0.99	59
Tucson	66	2	87	47	0.12	1.74	-0.69	72
Willcox	58	2	82	31	0.03	0.82	-1.55	35
Winslow	53	2	79	30	0.29	1.79	0.13	108
Yuma	74	4	94	55	0.00	1.11	0.19	121
1/ Departure of temperature for reporting period from average temperature for that week.								

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